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PATENT

Attorney Docket No.: 13178-004520

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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re application of:

RAY TSANG et al.

Application No.: 09/399,119

Filed: September 20, 1999

For: NON-THROMBOGENIC COATING  
COMPOSITIONS AND METHODS  
FOR USING SAME

Examiner: Unassigned

Art Unit: 1623

PETITION TO EXTEND TIME

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Applicant petitions the Assistant Commissioner of Patents to extend the time for response to the Notice to File Missing Parts – Filing Date Granted dated October 7, 1999 for (1) one month, from December 7, 1999 to January 7, 2000. An appropriate response in the form of a(n) Transmittal of Missing Parts is enclosed herewith.

Please charge the fee of \$55.00 to the undersigned's Deposit Account No. 20-1430. Please charge any additional fees or credit overpayment to the above deposit account. This petition is submitted in triplicate.

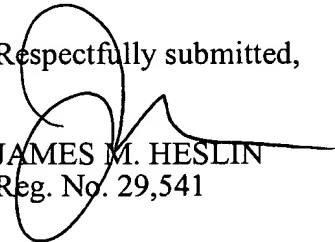
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